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C O N F I D E N T I A L JIDDA 1489

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, SA

SUBJECT: SAG REQUEST FOR TOW MISSILE

REF: (A) JIDDA 1158 (NOTAL)

(B) USMTM DTG 200632Z FEB 75 (NOTAL)

(C) STATE 223014 DTG 100745Z OCT 74 (NOTAL)

1. AMBASSADOR HAS RECEIVED LETTER FROM DEPMIN DEF PRINCE
TURKI REQUESTING LETTER OF OFFER TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING
(QUOTING FROM LETTER):

1. 152 TOW MISSILE LAUNCHERS
2. 3040 LIVE ANTI-TAN TOW MISSILES (SH.F)
3. 152 JEEPS WITH MOUNTED TOW MISSILE LAUNCHERS
4. 152 JEEPS WITH MOUNTED MISSLE
5. THE LETTER OF OFFER SHOULD INCLUDE THE TRAINING OF SAUDI
PERSONNEL IN THE USE AND MIANTENANCE OF THE MISSILE.
6. ALL TRAINING EQUIPMENT, BLAST SIMULATORS, TRAINING
MISSILES, BATTERY CHARGERS, AND OTHER SPARE MAINTEN-
ANCE PARTS FOR THIS OFFER.

TURKI ASKS FOR DELIVERY IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME.

2. WE HAVE CHECKED WITH USMTM, WHICH CONSIDERS REQUEST
SOMEWHAT EXCESSIVE, BUT IN VIEW OF 26-30 MONTH LEAD TIME
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NOTED REF C WE HAVE DECIDED TO FORWARD REQUEST ON FOR

WASHINGTON ACTION.

3. WE ALSO NOTE THAT A LETTER OF OFFER FOR FMS CASE ULP (80 TOW LAUNCHERS, 1520 MISSILES) IS STILL IN MODA'S HANDS, THOUGH COST ESTIMATES WERE VALID ONLY UNTIL DECEMBER 26. STILL, USMTM HAS INDICATIONS MODA MAY ACCEPT ULP WITHIN NEXT 30 DAYS. AMBASSADOR WILL BE SEEING PRINCE SULTAN (WHO WAS ON LEAVE WHEN TURKI SENT REQUEST) IN NEXT DAY OR SO AND WILL URGE ACCEPTANCE OF ULP. IF WASHINGTON CAN PROMISE SOMEWHAT ACCELERATED DELIVERIES OF ULP THIS MAY SERVE TO REDUCE SAUDI CONCERN FOR RAPID DELIVERY OF PRESENT REQUEST WHICH, IN FINAL ANALYSIS, MAY NEED TO BE REDUCED IN QUANTITY.

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